

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A data processing apparatus is provided with an image reader for reading an original, a receiver capable of receiving an external job transmitted from an outside, a transmitter capable of transmitting image data of the original read by the image reader as a scanning job to an outside, a print device for printing data of the external job received by the receiver, one or a plurality of compressing/expanding devices for compressing the image data of the scanning job or the data of the external job and expanding the compressed data, an operation device for instructing an activation of the scanning job in accordance with an operation of a user, and a controller. The controller discriminates whether an activation instruction of the scanning job is made by the operation device or from an outside in cases where a request for processing data of the scanning job by the compressing/expanding devices is made when the data of the external job is being currently compressed or expanded by the compressing/expanding devices, and controls the execution of the external job and the scanning job by the compressing/expanding devices depending on the discrimination result.